

Mountain View Road



Final Community Workshop
September 23, 2004



The City Dropped Its Initial Proposal

- In the last several months, we have heard and read a lot about residents' differing visions for Mountain View Road
 - Strong objections to aggressive driving on Mountain View Road
 - Strong objections to the City's traffic calming proposal



The City Broadened and Intensified Public Involvement

- City staff
 - spoke to neighbors,
 - met with a Stakeholder Group,
 - held one community workshop already,
 - attended HOA board meetings,
 - reviewed letters and emails,
 - talked on the phone, and
 - compiled over 200 responses to a Web survey.



The City Broadened and Intensified Public Involvement

- City staff learned that Mountain View Road needs to function
 - for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicyclists so that it is both safe and efficient
 - for both getting around, and getting in and out of, the area
 - for youngsters and not-so-young
 - for working families and retirees
 - for fulltime and seasonal residents



Proposal to Address Common Issues, Not Preponderance of Suggestions

- We heard from concerned area residents
 - About raising the speed limit to 35 or 40 miles per hour, or lowering it to 25
 - About traffic calming effects on property values, emergency vehicle access, commercial areas
 - About the environment for pedestrians, cyclists and kids waiting for school buses

Things We Will NOT Do Now, Under Current Conditions



- Modify the speed limit
- Build speed tables
- Build roundabouts
- Widen or narrow road
- Remove, widen or narrow bike lanes
- Remove the drainage dips at 104th Street
- Install new traffic control signals unless standard signal criteria are met
- Install new four-way or all-way stop signs unless standard stop sign criteria are met



Minor Changes to the Road that We Will Make Now

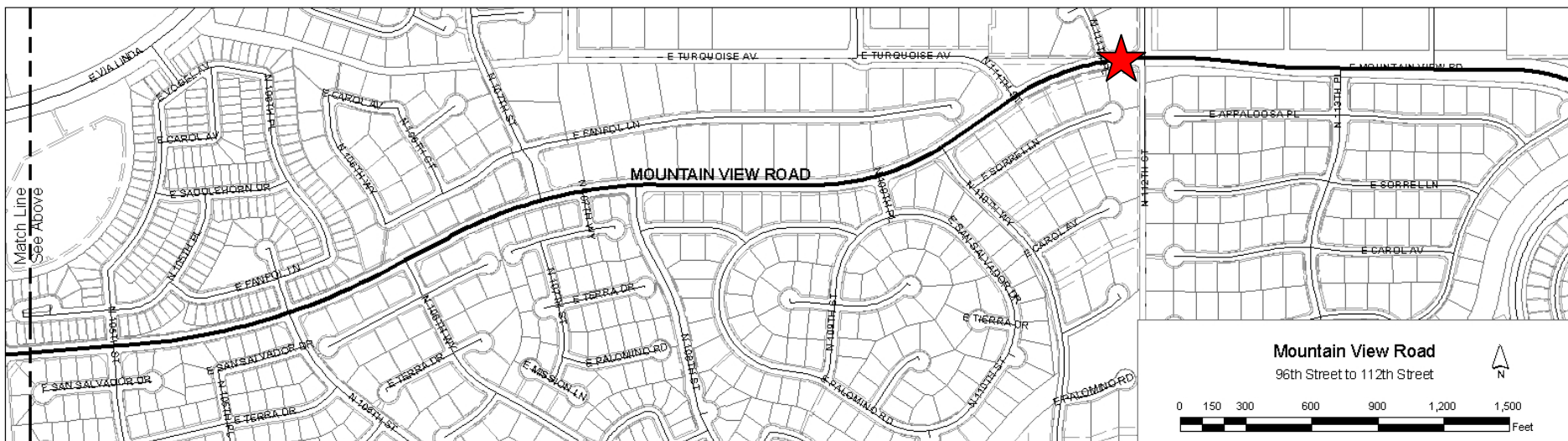
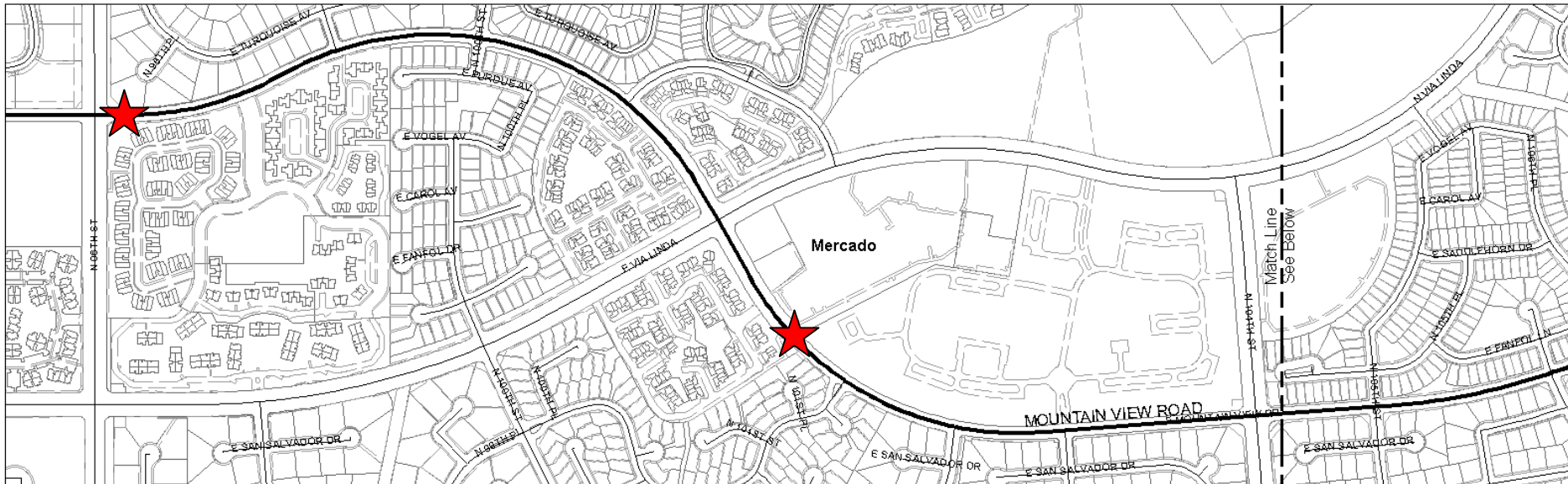
- Install narrow, pedestrian-friendly, entry islands at three locations to warn drivers that they are entering neighborhoods and to provide refuge for people crossing street
 - East of Mercado
 - East of 96th Street
 - West of 112th Street

Pedestrian-Friendly Entry Islands

Illustrative Example of Entry Island



Pedestrian-Friendly Entry Islands





Minor Changes to the Road that We Will Make Now

- Add striped crosswalks at the intersections of 104th and 108th Streets, with appropriate advance warning signs, to facilitate pedestrian use
- Revise center lane striping to double-yellow-striping, except at left turn locations, to signal “No Passing”

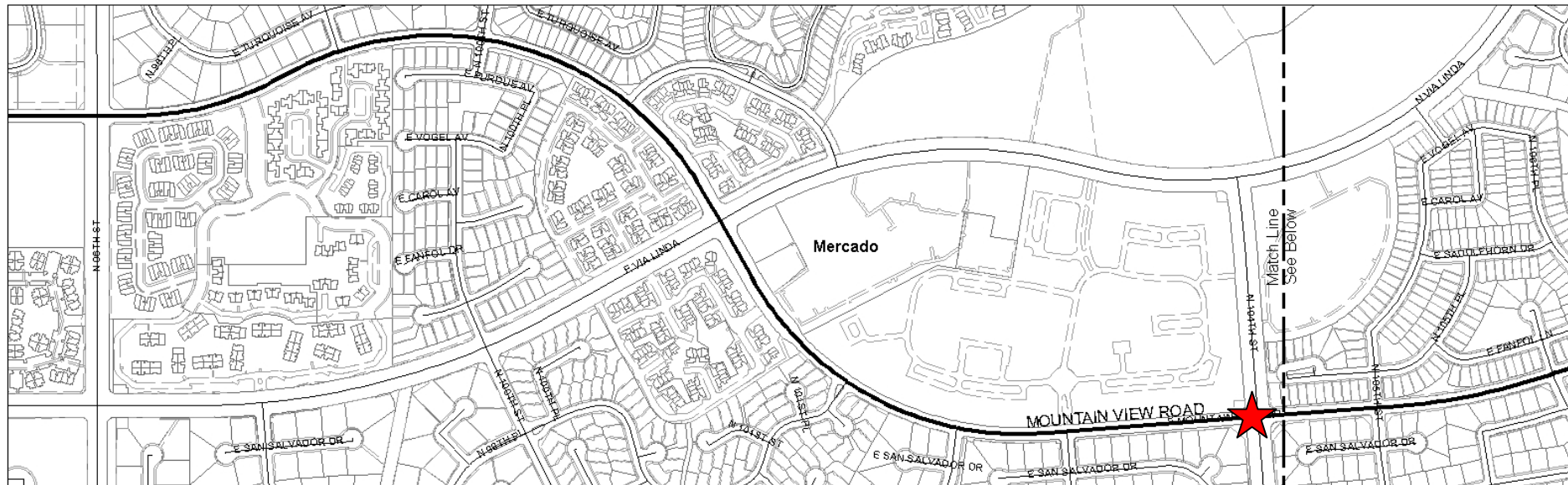
Striped Crosswalks



Revised Center Lane Striping



Striped Crosswalks





Minor Changes to the Road that We Will Make Now

- Convert the eastbound and westbound right lane approaching Via Linda to exclusive right-turn lane, to eliminate the passing that occurs within the intersection
- Add additional bike symbols to the bike lane, to highlight appropriate lane use



Procedural Changes that We Will Make Now

- Instruct Scottsdale Police to increase speed enforcement along Mountain View using both increased officer patrols and more frequent deployment of the Photo Enforcement Van
- Review all intersection sight distances and trim vegetation where needed, periodically



Procedural Changes that We Will Make Now

- Verify stop signs are clearly visible at all side street and driveway entries onto Mountain View
- Monitor speeds and review operations after six months and take corrective actions if necessary



Options for Change

- Things we could do, if you decide
 - Install driver feedback speed limit signs on existing light poles
 - Install push button signs at the intersection of 104th Street for pedestrians to activate flashing lights to warn drivers
 - Review the traffic volumes to evaluate whether left-turn arrows for east- and westbound traffic at the Via Linda/Mountain View intersection are needed



Options for Change

- Things we could do, if you decide
 - Install more pedestrian refuge islands in addition to the entry islands, to further improve pedestrian crossings
 - Identify funding and locations to install pedestrian-level lighting along the sidewalks
 - Work with the school district to identify alternative school bus routes